

REMARKS**Overview**

Please enter this Amendment and response, which tries to get amended claim 6 in proper form for allowance. No new matter is added and no new search is required.

Claim 6

The Examiner has rejected claim 6 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as anticipated by or, in the alternative, under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as obvious over Miller as discussed in paragraph 2 of the last Office Action. Additionally, claim 6 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Grigsby.

These rejections to claim 6 are respectfully traversed. In addition, the Applicant maintains the argument, which was supplied to the Examiner on April 17, 2005 in a response to an Office Action, that neither Grigsby nor Miller show a plurality of non-wooden boards assembled to accommodate a product to be shipped.

In addition, Claim 6 has been amended to require, among other things, a non-wooden shipping base for transporting products comprising "a plurality of recycled non-wooden boards assembled to accommodate a product to be shipped, wherein the recycled non-wooden boards further comprise a plurality of particles and a resin." Support for the amendment to this claim is found in the original Specification, page 2, lines 17-18 which read in part as "[t]o form the shipping base, a material that is not solid wood is chosen. Preferably, recycled siding materials, including a plurality of particles and a resin, are reused to form the shipping base 10 of the present invention." Thus, no new matter has been added.

Neither Miller nor Grigsby disclose or teach a non-wooden shipping base for transporting products comprising a plurality of *recycled* non-wooden boards assembled to accommodate a product to be shipped, wherein the recycled non-wooden boards further comprise a plurality of *particles and a resin*. Thus, claim 6 is in proper form for allowance. A Notice of Allowance of claim 6 is respectfully requested.

Conclusion

If furtherance of this application can be advanced by speaking with the Applicant's Attorney, please do so. No fees or extensions of time are believed to be due in connection with this amendment; however, consider this a request for any extension inadvertently omitted, and charge any additional fees to Deposit Account No. 26-0084.

Reconsideration and allowance is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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